

Claims

1. A pant comprising a chassis and a pair of elastic panels; the pant having a front and back end; the chassis comprising an absorbent core, a backing member and a bodyside liner; the chassis having a length and a width and a front and a back end; the front end having a fastener; the elastic panels having a width and a length; the elastic panels being elasticized along the majority of their length and width; the elastic panels adjacent the chassis and toward the back end of the chassis; and, the width of at least one of the elastic panels being such that the panel when stretched can encircle the pant when used.

5 2. The pant of claim 1 wherein one elastic panel is wide enough to encircle the used pant at least 1½ times.

10 3. An incontinence product for adults comprising: a chassis comprising an absorbent core and a refastenable elastic side panel; the elastic side panel having a length and a width; the length and the width of the elastic side panel being substantially the same; the elastic side panel being elasticized along the majority of its length and width; the chassis having a length and a width; and the width of the elastic side panel being at least long enough to surround the product when used and fasten to itself, thereby forming an elastic 15 disposable pouch.

20 4. The product of claim 3 wherein the used product can hold at least about 100 grams of bodily waste.

25 5. The product of claim 3 wherein the used product can hold at least about 400 grams of bodily waste.

6. A pant product for toddlers and infants comprising: a chassis comprising an absorbent core and a refastenable elastic side panel; the elastic

side panel having a length and a width; the elastic side panel being elasticized along the majority of its length and width; the chassis having a length and a width; the length of the elastic side panel being at least about 25% of the length of the chassis; the width of the elastic side panel being at least long enough to fully surround the product when used and fasten to itself, thereby forming an elastic disposable pouch.

7. The product of claim 6 wherein the used product can hold at least about 25 grams of bodily fluid.

8. The product of claim 6 wherein the used product can hold at least about 100 grams of bodily fluid.

9. A pant product comprising a chassis and one elastic back panel; where the back panel can be separated into a left side portion and a right side portion by the centerline of the product; each side portion having a length and a width; the product having a length and a width; the width of one of the elastic side portions being at least long enough to encircle the product when used and fasten to itself, thereby forming an elastic disposable pouch.

10. An absorbent product comprising: a chassis; an absorbent core; two discrete refastenable elastic side panels; each elastic panel having a length and a width; the length and width of each elastic panel being substantially the same; the chassis having a length and a width; and, the width of each elastic panel being at least long enough to surround the product when used and fasten to itself, thereby forming an elastic disposable pouch.

11. The product of claim 10, wherein the elastic panels are permanently attached to the chassis.

12. An absorbent product comprising: a chassis; an absorbent core; two discrete refastenable elastic side panels; each elastic panel having a length

and a width; the elastic panels permanently attached to the chassis; the chassis having a length and a width; and, the width of each elastic panel being at least long enough to surround the product when used and fasten to itself, thereby forming an elastic disposable pouch.

5 13. The product of claim 12, wherein the length and width of each elastic panel being substantially the same.

10 14. An absorbent product comprising: a chassis; an absorbent core; two discrete refastenable elastic side panels; each elastic panel having a length and a width; the elastic panels permanently attached to the chassis; the length and width of each elastic panel being substantially the same; the chassis having a length and a width; and, the width of each elastic panel being at least long enough to surround the product when used and fasten to itself, thereby forming an elastic disposable pouch.

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